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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. / ——— /1

major **Part B** for Aug 95

SUBJECT.

Employment of Temporary Masters for D. 7 works.

Sl 1 From, the Dy Comm. Mysore Dist

no. 1030 dated 4-6-95.

Recommends the necessity for Temporary
Masters for D. 7 works in the Rev Dept

Sl 2 To, the Dy Commrs of Dist & the Chief Engr. in Mysore

no. 17674-82 dated 17-4-95
27 379-92

Requests to submit their opinion for

the above proposal

Per.

(General Serial No. 30.)

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In Pw of 25/9/93 c/o 5574.5
379.92

two maistries on 20/4/95
were allowed to the Chellalloor
Dist. May the present proposal
be sanctioned

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FILE No.	36-44	
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6 APR. 95

Mysore Dt
L. 3250

To: The Vth Commissioner.

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of Mysore.

The needs of 7 D^{ts} Court are identical
with the rest. If clerks are required
in Mysore, the other D^{ts} Officers are
in the same position, & will ask for
these hands.

Dated 4th April 1895

Despatched

Received

2. I therefore think that the question
should be considered & disposed of in a
general reference to the want of
D^{ts} Officers.

Enclosures No. 1

General No. 1030
No.

3. The opinion of the C. Sup^r may
also be invited on such subject.
8/4/95

Recommends the nece-
-ssity for temporary
maistries for District
Fund works in the
Revenue Department.

X This may be
done
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MB 6/4/95
P. D.
Put up Pw of 14/12/94

c/o 9077.85. 8/4
A1489

See Space copy of the order is
presented 8/4/

No. 1030
Enclosures No. 1

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
MYSORE DISTRICT

Dated 4th April 1895.

From A. Rangasami Iyengar Esq. B.A. B.L.
Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.

To General
The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

SIR.

I am submitting herewith an extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board Mysore Circle, at the meeting held on 8th March 1895. I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for the entertainment of temporary maistries for the execution of works carried out from District Funds in the Revenue Department.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant.

A. Rangasami Iyengar

Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District

Compd:
W. H. I.

From

*The Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District.*

To

The Chief Secretary to the Dewan of Mysore.

Dated

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SECTION 13
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 SERIAL No. 2

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Letter of 4 April 189
 No 1030 from the D
 Comr, Mysore District

advising sanction & the inter-
 fairment of temporary masters
 for the execution of works from the
 D. Funds in the Rev. Dept.

(Here intro - in extant
 the letter & its encls.
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17474-82 217/4/95 Order thereon
 L. 7379-92

The Chief Engineers
 in Mysore & the Rev
 Commissioners of
 other Districts are
 requested to submit
 their opinion on the

on the Mysore & D. Comr's ^{above} proposal.

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13.4.95

~~Subject~~ necessity for the
 employment of maistry for the
 execution of works from Rev Dept
 (Rev)

Genl Secy
 and

To, The D. Comr, Mysore
 D. Comr, other
 Districts
 Chief Engineers in
 Mysore

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*Proceedings of the Government of Mysore, Local Boards Branch, Local Funds,
dated 17th April 1895.*

READ :—

Letter dated 4th April 1895, No. 1030, from the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

In submitting herewith an extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, Mysore Circle, at the meeting held on 8th March 1895, I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government for the entertainment of temporary Mestris for the execution of works carried out from District Funds in the Revenue Department.

*Extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, Mysore Circle, at meeting held
on the 8th March 1895.*

READ :—

G. P. No. 9877-85—R. 1489, dated 14th December 1894, directing the employment of Tank Inspectors and Sub-Overseers only on work connected with the restoration and improvement of tanks and prohibiting the use of their services on Local Fund and Municipal works.

In this connection, all the Amildars present said that it was not possible for them to prepare estimates for wells and other works or get them executed without any professional agency and that the Tank Inspector and Sub-Surveyors are not used to the prejudice of their proper work. As there were many works to be carried out from District Funds in connection with sinking wells, repairing drinking kattes, constructing Chavadis and other matters of village sanitation, it was proposed that it was very necessary to obtain the sanction of Government to entertain a temporary Taluk Mestri for each taluk on salaries of Rs. 15, 12 or 10 a month according to the amount of work of each Taluk.

No. 17474-82—L. F. 379-92, DATED BANGALORE, 17TH APRIL 1895.

ORDER THEREON.—The Chief Engineer in Mysore and the Deputy Commissioners of other Districts are requested to submit their opinions on the Mysore Deputy Commissioner's above proposal.

V. N. NARASIMMIYENGAR,
General Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.
The Deputy Commissioners of other Districts.
The Chief Engineer in Mysore.

Exd.—A.N.S.

1894-95

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

LOCAL BOARDS BRANCH, LOCAL FUNDS

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 17th April 1895

No. 17474-2
L. F. 379-92

Requesting the opinion of the Chief Engineer and the Deputy Commissioners of Districts in regard to the entertainment of temporary Mestris for the execution of works carried out from District Funds.

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These temporary hands have already been entertained for most of the Taluks but it is necessary that they should be given a footing and their appointments recognized so that they might realize their responsibility as Government servants.

2. The Amildars have also been asked to continue the services of these men as long as the amount of their pay in each Taluk does not exceed 10 per Cent of the outlay incurred on account of works carried out by the Revenue Department in that Taluk.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

D. M. S. S.
Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

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for a separate establishment of
the District Fund works. The pro-
hibition is, in my opinion, unnecessary.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. W. W. W.

Deputy Commissioner.

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seems highly desirable. I am ~~not~~ however
in favor of the pretention of a separate
agency for minor tank works. A duly
qualified Maistry on good pay ought
to be able to, supervise all the works in
his Taluk or Sub Taluk whether carried
out from District Funds or from Local
Funds General or from Municipal Funds or
from Provincial Funds. One half of his pay
may be debited to the Provincial Funds
while the other half may be met from
the several remaining funds in proportion
to the expenditure incurred therefrom.

In the case of the larger Municipalities
however, a separate Overseer or Maistry
has already been employed. The
Maistry now proposed to be entertained
will therefore have nothing to do with
works in such Municipalities.

3. I would also suggest the employment
of a sub Overseer for every 3 or 4 Taluk
instead of for the whole District as at
present

4 I have for some time past been

in communication with the Chief Engineer, ⁺ This Office No: 161
on the Subject of this reference. My views dated 24th Sept: 1894 to the address
have been fully explained in the marginally of the Chief Engineer.
noted Correspondence of which a copy is 2. His reply No: 503,
dated 28th Nov: 1894
3. This Office No: 492
dated 27.5.95.

5. If the proposed amalgamation be not approved, a Maistry for each Taluk and Sub Taluk would be too heavy a burden on District Funds and Municipal funds. I would in that case recommend the entertainment of one Maistry for every two Taluks or for a Taluk and Sub Taluk together. His pay however should not be less than Rs. 20 rising to Rs. 25 with a fixed horse allowance of Rs. ten

- Luv,

Presentations

Deputy Commissioner

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No 161
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Deputy Commissioner's Office
Mitalidoo District
Dated 20th
24 September 1894

To The Chief Engineer
in Mysore

Sir, I have the honor to solicit
the favor of your opinion on the
advisability or otherwise of
changing the official designation
of our Tank Inspectors and of
offering them such increased
salaries as would attract men
possessing some professional
knowledge of surveying, levelling,
estimating &c.

2. All the Tank Inspectors in my
District get 12 Rs. each except one
whose pay is Rs. 20. As a class
they possess no professional
knowledge worth mentioning.
It is not possible to get good and
clever men for such small re-
muneration as that mentioned
above.

3. These officials do not do
much

much useful work. It is true that they are supposed to attend to the maintenance of minor tanks and to the execution of necessary repairs thereto both by masons and by coolies. But the work turned out is not as a rule either sufficient or satisfactory. Nor could better results be reasonably expected from untrained men getting such low salaries.

4. In every Talook and Sub Talook, in addition to such manual works as the repair of Police Stations and other buildings, there is a very large quantity of work to be done from District Funds as well as from Local Funds General. This work though considerably more than the Tank work referred to above, has no agency whatever employed to look after it. I have received complaints on this score from every Amildar and Deputy Amildar in my District. I have recently employed two masons on Rs. 20 each for this purpose with the sanction of Government. But the services of a separate
Masonry

Maintenance for each Talook and Sub-
Talook seem absolutely necessary.
At the same time, I do not think
there is enough work for both a
Tank Inspector and a Talook Inspecting
One good and trained Official could
very well do all the business con-
-nected with both descriptions of
work. Such an arrangement
would not only enable our minor
Tanks and buildings being better
dealt with than at present but
also supply trained supervision
in the case of works to be carried
out from District Funds and L.F.
General. A really good man
cannot be had under 20 or 25 Rs.
plus the usual horse allowance
I am in favor of having two grades
of Talook Inspectors on 20 and 25 Rs.
each. As vacancies occur or
as the present Tank Inspectors
are otherwise absorbed, they may
be replaced by competent
Inspectors. Their pay and allowance
should be a charge on both
Provincial and District Funds.
I would distribute the same equally
between these 2 Funds. This proposal
does not involve any additional
Change

Charge on Provincial Funds from which alone the present Tank Inspectors draw their pay which in no case below Rs: 12/. As regards both Departments, there would be again in the shape of better and more satisfactory work.

5. I may also observe that the Sub Overseer attached to the District has a more extensive charge than he could properly manage. More of his time is consequently taken up in travelling than in useful work and supervision. I would give each District two Sub Overseers instead of one. He should be placed above the Mestries and entrusted with the supervision of all descriptions of work, of which the latter are in charge. This would greatly benefit works carried out from both the funds above mentioned. In the same way as Mestries, the pay and allowances of these Sub Overseers may be apportioned equally between Provincial Funds and District Funds.

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6. In conclusion I may add that the proposals which I have made above seem calculated to prevent much waste of public money which I am afraid is now going on in almost every Talook.

7. I shall esteem it a favor, if you will kindly record your views on the subject, and either send up a recommendation to Government or refer me to a communication to Government in the General Department.

I have the
Signed / C. Sreenivasengar
Deputy Commissioner.

No 5837

Mysore P. W. Dept.
Central Office
Dated 28th November 1894.

From Col. C. Bowen R.E.
Chief Engineer of Mysore
To The Deputy Commissioner
Mitaldeoog District.

Sir,

I have had for some time
under

under consideration your letter
N^o 161 of 24th September 1894,
the subject matter of which is
complicated and difficult to
deal with in a thorough-going way,
involving as it does the whole
question of Emigration works
rules, probable heavy additions
to the cost of establishments, the
incidence of such expenditure,
and the relative responsibilities
of the Revenue and Public Works
Departments in regard of works
of all sorts.

II. — You have referred to works
carried out from District Funds
and Local Funds General, the
quantity of which you state is very
large. This puzzled me at the outset,
as I am not aware of what kind
of works you refer to, their nature,
value, &c. May I ask you to kindly
let me have a list of such works,
those of last year, and those so
classified this year. If of importance,
they necessarily widen the scope of
the whole question of Tank Inspectors,
Maintenance

Mar'am at Mestres, ^{see}

III. - The question of the ^{Minor repairs} of and work to Civil Buildings I had endeavoured to dispose of, by my Circular Memorandum No 81 of 29th July 1886. That measure was admittedly experimental; it appears to have failed in its object, but I would be glad to know how and when exactly it failed. Was the work not done at all, was it badly done, was it unreasonably delayed, expensive, or what? Was a really genuine effort made by the Amildars, Revenue, and other subordinates to carry the idea through? and have the public buildings suffered by the arrangement, ^{see}?

IV. - You have proposed "inter alia" to change the designation of our Tank Inspectors. I do not attach any importance to the name; the designation Tank Inspectors appeared to imply very definitely the nature of their intended duties. The nature and limit of those

those duties was I thought very clearly
explained, though I have reason
to believe they were, in more than one
instance, altogether disregarded. :-
However the name is nothing. I confess
that the pay of these men is inadequate
and that their knowledge is of the
poorest, judging from what I have
been told. But you must remember
the class had to be recruited from
the old revenue survey lower subor-
dinates who otherwise would have
had to be thrown on the Pension List,
and that the large number of inspectors
were paid low salaries. To
substitute for them Maistries on
much higher pay will involve
a serious increase to one or other
of our Government Budgets for
Establishments, and, remember,
a corresponding diminution of
the funds allottable for actual work.

V. - You will gather, I hope, from
all this that I am not averse to a
radical change that will effect
our mutual object, the security
and maintenance of all tanks,
the

the Economical and effective maintenance of buildings &c. I wish to have the subject threshed out, so that I may be in a position to place some well-digested scheme of reform before Government. At present the proposals are somewhat crude, in my mind at least, and we have to take account of the Class of men, Tank Inspectors, we are at present hampered with, and who cannot be summarily shelved so far as I can see. Further, should your proposal to have a Talook Maistry, dealing with Tank & Inspector's work and small Civil buildings and District works, be adopted, we would have the anomaly of a DRS Talook Maistry and a Revenue Talook Maistry in each Talook or Sub Talook, both dealing with the public works of the Talook, but

but under different ^{matters} matters. I suggest
this as a difficulty facing us. —

I have see
Signed / C. Bowen. Colonel.
Chief Engineer of Mysore.

N^o 492
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Dated 27th May 1895.

From The Deputy Commissioner
Mitaldroog District

To The Chief Engineer in Mysore
Bangalore.

Sir, I beg to acknowledge with
thanks the receipt of your letter
N^o 5837 dated 28th November 1894
making certain observations on
my proposal to amalgamate
the agencies employed on minor
tank works and on District Fund
works, both carried out by the
Revenue Department.

2. A list is herewith forwarded
showing the works sanctioned in
my District in 1893-94 and 1894-95
from District Funds and Local
Funds General. A similar list
of

of Sanctions from the Provincial
Funds placed by you at my
disposal is also enclosed. These
lists will give you an idea of the
large sums which are being spent
in this District, on works of different
descriptions by the Revenue De-
partment. I have no doubt that
similarly heavy expenditure,
(if not even heavier) is being
incurred in the other Districts also
of the Province.

3. Talook pachtewories and
Police Stations are now mostly
of the standard designs. These
and other buildings such as
the District Office, District Jail &c.,
cannot be properly repaired
by unprofessional agency. I
have often experienced great
difficulty in such matters. I
do not say that such work is
not undertaken at all, but I
do say that it is not done as
expeditiously and satisfactorily
as could be wished. It is true
that the Amildars and other
Revenue Authorities have
shown

shown no indifference but it is not possible to expect them to do much in this direction.

4. The present Tank Inspectors can gradually be absorbed into the Revenue Department by being employed as check dars, ~~in~~ ^{as} ~~Gumastas~~ ^{Gumastas} ~~etc~~, as vacancies occur. If any of them possesses the requisite professional knowledge and experience he may be taken as a Talook Mistry.

5. The Salary of the Tank Inspectors which is not less than 12 Rs. a month is being paid wholly from Provincial funds. These men attend to Tank work only, and not to buildings as well though the latter are also repaired from Provincial funds. For both these kinds of work I propose to pay from Provincial funds, a moiety only of the Mistry's pay and allowance. Likewise the Sub Overseer who gets his whole pay and allowances from Provincial funds, now ^{loses}

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gives his attention to tanks only. The Sub Overseers to be hereafter employed will in addition to District Fund works, look after tanks as hitherto, and also to buildings with which they have till now had nothing whatever to do. My proposal is that one half of the cost of their services should be paid from Provincial Funds. It will thus be observed that so far as the Provincial Budget is concerned, my recommendation does not involve any substantial increase under the head of establishment. The work carried out from District Funds and Local Funds General should not any longer be left without a proper agency to look after it. Rather than advocate the employment of a separate agency all for itself, I propose a single agency both

both for it- and for Provincial works.
Instead therefore of losing, as
apprehended, the District Funds
and Local Funds General
will be really benefited to the
extent of 50 per cent of the cost
of establishment.

6. The Tank Inspector though
nominally a D. P. W. Official is
really under the orders of the
Revenue Department. As regards
minor works, the Deputy Com-
-missioner stands to the head
of the Public Works Department
in the same relation as the Executive
Engineer does in respect of works
of greater importance. The
Deputy Commissioner is also the
President of the Local Fund Board
and as such he has the manage-
-ment and control of all works
undertaken from District Funds
as well as from Local Funds
General. The Talook Mestery
whom

whom it is proposed to bring into existence will therefore necessarily be subordinate to the Deputy Commissioners. So also the Sub Overseers. Both these classes of officials will be in much the same position as that now occupied by the Tank Inspectors and Sub Overseer working in the Revenue Department. Of course the Deputy Commissioners will almost always have to depend upon the D.P.W. for the services of good and competent men. The anomaly pointed out in the concluding para of your letter does not seem to me to be so very serious as to outweigh the good that may be expected to result from giving effect to my scheme.

Y. - I believe I have dealt with all the points noticed in your letter quoted above. I may be permitted to say that while

while there is much to recommend my scheme, the objections to it do not seem insuperable.

8. - My proposal may be briefly summarized thus: - Rather than have an ill-paid and incompetent agency for tank works alone and none at all for Provincial buildings and rather than suffer works undertaken from District Funds and Local Funds to be badly done for want of proper agency or employ a costly agency for such works alone, I am in favor of doing away with the present Tank Inspectors altogether and employing for all the works above referred to a single agency which will consist of a competent Maistry for each Talook and Sub Talook and of two or three Sub Overseers for each District. The Maistry will

will be under the direct orders of
the Amildar or Deputy Amildar.
Each Sub Overseer will have
jurisdiction over 3 or 4 Talooks
and will supervise the work
of the Maistries of those Talooks.
He will be directly subordinate
to the Deputy Commissioner but
will help the Amildars and
Deputy Amildars with his
suggestions and assistance.
This is exactly what the Sub-
Overseer does now as regards
Taluk works. The Sub Overseers
will stand to the Maistries
and Amildars in the same
relation as the Enice Daroga
stands to the Abkari Inspectors
and Amildars. I propose to
debit half the cost to Provin-
-cial Funds for this reason
that in addition to the Stone
and masonry work for
which payment is made
from

from those Funds, the Masters
and Sub Overseers are expected
to get earthwork done by ^{the} jayots-
themselves. The Cost cannot
therefore be debited to Provincial
Funds, and District Funds in
proportion to the expenditure
actually incurred from each.
A moiety being debited to
Provincial Funds, the other
moiety may be paid from
District Funds and Local
Funds General, and partly
from Municipal Funds also,
in proportion to the money
spent out of each of those funds.
These Officials will have nothing
to do with works in the larger
Municipalities which maintain
their own Masters or Overseers.

G. I may add that in reply
to the Proceedings of Government
No 17474-82 dated 17th April 1895
L.F. 379-92
Calling for opinion in regard
to the Mysore Deputy Commissioner's
proposal

proposal to employ temporary
masters for the execution of
District Fund works, I have
forwarded to the General
Secretary a copy of this letter
and of the previous corres-
pondence between us and
have stated that it is almost
useless to entertain masters
on salaries not sufficiently
liberal to attract men
possessing real professional
knowledge.

10. I beg to conclude with
an expression of hope that
you will kindly give my
proposal your favorable
consideration and strong
support.

I have the
pleasure to sign
Deputy Commissioner

"Copies"

Deputy Commissioner

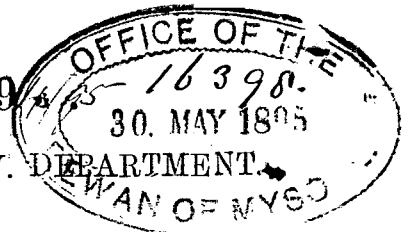
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Mitaldeoog District

27/5/95.

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1895
 MYSORE P. W. DEPARTMENT.



No. 2444.

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From

The Chief Engineer
 of Mysore.

To

Secretary to the
 Government of Mysore
 General Department.

Dated Bangalore 29th May 1895.

Despatched

Enclosure No. one

SUBJECT.

Forwarding Chief Engineer's opinion
 on the proposal to entertain a
 temporary Saluk Kustin for each
 Saluk in connection with Local
 Fund and Municipal works.

L 4062. (M 30/5/95)

each member, in his own local Circle, take it upon himself to see that the few and small works falling within his Circle are fairly and quickly carried out by such Contractor. Some such arrangement on this would foster a spirit of corporate independence and interest in the public welfare, which the entertainment of more permanent small officials for the patch of jobs, at the beck of builders and other Saluk employees, must, in my opinion, go far to strangle.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant.
C. Unwin. Colonel.
Chief Engineer of Mysore. —

Mysore
29th May
1875

Edw. C. Unwin

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MYSORE P. W. DEPARTMENT

No. 2444.

CENTRAL OFFICE,

Bangalore, 29th May 1895.

From

Colonel C. Bowen.
The Chief Engineer of Mysore,
Bangalore.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Mysore
General Department.

SIR,

1. With reference to Government order No. 1744-82
A.S. 379-92
of 17th April 1895, desiring my opinion as well as that
of the Deputy Commissioners, on the proposal to entertain
a temporary Saluk Mestri for each taluk in connection
with Local Fund and Municipal works, I have the
honor to state that my views as regards the execution
of such petty works are embodied in my depart-
mental Circular No. 81 of 20th July 1886 (Copy en-
closed for ready reference)

2. — I believe that such trivial works and repairs
as those referred to can be fairly dealt with through
the agency of the private Mestris and Artisans of
the Country, if only the members of Local Fund
Boards and Municipalities can be induced
to take an intelligent and practical interest

in the matter. Local Fund and Municipal Committees do not, or ought not, to exist, simply to discuss projects and budgets, and allot available local funds to different purposes. They were called into being, I imagine, for something more than that, and I cannot but suppose that amongst these Committees a sufficiently public-spirited member cannot be found in each local centre or Municipality to take the responsibility of seeing that an ordinary well, a drinking Katti, a Chavadi, or a small sanitary work, is properly built and not unfairly charged for by a village Contractor or Mestri. —

3. — The Deputy Commissioners can have little faith in the boards they preside over when they seek to supplement the power and willingness of those Boards by the Agency of Saluk Mestris on Rs. 15, 10, or 12 a month, and believe that such assistance will effect economy, and prompt and effective execution.

4. — Let each Central District Board let out periodically, on a regular schedule of rates, to one or more selected petty Contractors all their petty works of the character referred, not coming under professional A. P. W. Agency, and let
each

Circular No. 81.

Mysoore P. W. Department.
Central Office.
Bangalore 29th July 1886. —

Circular Memorandum

From the 1st August 1886, the petty Construction (not including additions to or alterations of existing buildings) and repair of all Police and Revenue buildings, up to a limit of Rs. 250, will be entrusted to the establishments under the orders of the Deputy Commissioners, and the responsibility for the due preservation and maintenance of the same will cease to rest with the Officers and subordinates of the Public Works Department. —

2. — Work of this petty character, up to the limit specified, can, it is believed, be satisfactorily carried out, without the intervention of professional Agency. To their private dwellings and property, taluk officials of all classes have such work and repairs executed to their own satisfaction; they are in a position to procure Mestri Contractors or village Artizans for job work of the kind for themselves, and they are competent to pronounce whether the trivial work so done is properly done or not, when their own interests are concerned; they do not call in the assistance of a professional Mestri to frame estimates or prepare and pass bills — the men they employ for the job do that — and there is no reason why they cannot do the same in connection with the Government buildings they occupy or work in daily. Such being the case, Builders should have no difficulty in compelling Government servants under their orders to arrange for small works and repairs of the character indicated, paying for the same on bills, prepared by the Contractor or job-worker and certified to by the official concerned.

3. — For this purpose lump sums, under the several heads of service will now be placed at the entire disposal of the Deputy Commissioners of each District, who will distribute the same to the several Amildars in the proportion he thinks proper and in the form of an imprest. This imprest will be recouped periodically, and the imprest sheet will be the only form of account to be kept by the Amildar, who will simply attach thereto bills in the vernacular as vouchers for the outlay incurred, the correctness of these bills being certified to by a responsible official. Detailed measurements need not be taken nor recorded. —

4. — As regards the accounts to be rendered by the Deputy Commissioners to the Comptroller, further instructions will issue. The estimates, which will be sanctioned by the Deputy Commissioners, will be in the simple form of a Requisition, copies of which to meet immediate requirements will now be supplied. For each District, a temporary Mutsaddi, on Rupees 15 a month, to keep the Accounts, Correspondence, and records is now sanctioned. —

5. — The foregoing rules apply also to the petty construction and repair of all Educational and Arche' buildings, but as regards Educational buildings the required repairs must be done by the various School-masters under the directions of the Educational Secretary, within the following money limits, namely Rs 250/-

For

for the Central College, Rs. 100 for each District High School and Rs. 30 for each Taluk School. The petty construction and repair of Aneche buildings must be carried out by the Aneche Bakshi through the various Aneche Inspectors and Mutsaddis. For this purpose lump sums will be placed at the disposal of the Educational Secretary and Aneche Bakshi, who will distribute the same accordingly to actual need to the various officers of their respective departments and be guided by the rules prescribed on this behalf for Amildars.

6. — This measure is experimental. The Deputy Commissioners, the Educational Secretary and Aneche Bakshi, will, at the end of official year, report as to its working, propose any modifications that may facilitate the work and secure efficiency, and recommend its being permanently established or discontinued. Where work is estimated in opinion of the official framing a requisition to cost more than Rs. 250, the fact should be reported to the Public Works Sub-Divisional Officer, whose duty it will then be to take up the work. —

Signed / C. Bowen, Major, R.E.
 Secy: to the Govt. of Mysore P.W.D.

True Copy —

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To, All Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
 Do. Inspectors of Divisions.
 The Comptroller of Mysore.
 Educational Secretary.
 Inspector Genl. of Police.
 Examiner P. W. Dept. of Mysore.

Bangalore
 29th May/1953

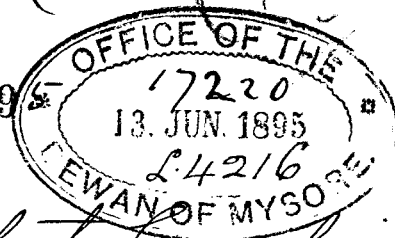
For Dy. Chief Engineer of Mysore —

Gen. Serial No. 31.]

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SECTION LB
FILE No. 34-94
SERIAL No. 7

1895



The Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District
General
The Secretary to the Government
Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 8th

Despatched 11th

Received

June 1895

Enclosures—No. 1

General No. 789 } 1894-95
No. }

Submitting opinion on the
Mysore District Deputy
Commissioner's proposal, re-
- garding the employment of
a temporary Mestri for
each Taluk on salaries of
Rs 15, 12 and 10 a month ac-
- cording to the amount of
work of each Taluk.

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Deputy Commissioner's Office

Kadur District.

Dated, Chikmagalur, 8th June
95.

From,

The Dy Commissioner

Kadur Dist

To,

The General Secretary

to the Government of

No.

Mysore.

Government Proceedings No

17474-82
L.T. 379-92 dated 17 April last, request-
ing to submit opinion on the Mysore
Deputy Commissioner's proposal re-
garding the employment of a temporary
Mestri for each Taluk on salaries of
Rs 15, 12 or 10 a month according to the
amount of work of each Taluk.

With reference to the above, has
the honor to state that as it is not
possible to secure the services of
qualified persons on small salaries
as proposed above, the undersigned
is of opinion that two or three efficient
men on decent salaries be entertain-
ed permanently according to the

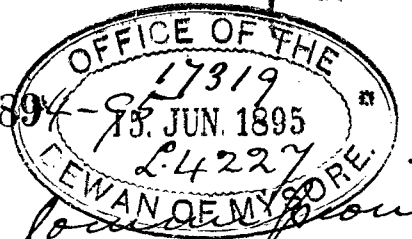
requirements of each District, as already
resolved at the meeting of the Local Fund
Board of this Circle convened on 29th April
last. Vide extract from the Proceed-
ings thereof, herein enclosed for ready
reference, and which was submitted
with this office docket No. 707 of the 22^d
uttrius -

W. H. M. W.

For Dy Commissioner
Kadur Dt.
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SECTION LB
 FILE No. 34-94
 SERIAL No. 8

Gen. Serial No. 30.]



From

The Dy. Commr. Mysore
 Kapan District

To
 The Chief Secretary to the Government
 Dewan of Mysore.

Dated 11th June 1895
 Despatched
 Received

Enclosures No. 4
 General No. 952 of 1894-95
 No. S

In reply to No. 17474-82 of 17-4-95
L.F. 379-92
 SUBJECT.

Submitting opinion in
 regard to the entertain-
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 -cution of works carried
 out from District Funds.

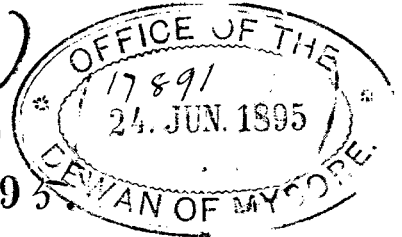
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References—(to be entered only in the
 Dewan's Office).

SECTION 2 B
 FILE No. 34-94
 SERIAL No. 9

(General Serial No. 30.)

1895



From

The President of the
 District Fund Board
 Mysore District
 L. 4364

To

Genl.
 The Chief Secretary to the Dewan
 of Mysore.

Dated 20

Despatched

June 1895

Received

Enclosures No.

General No. 1451
 No.

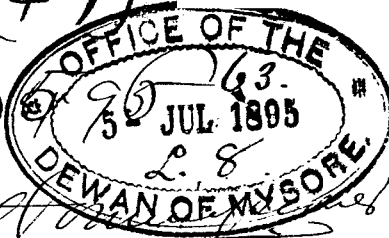
Submits opinion
 regarding the inter-
 lamination of electric
 for the execution of
 the District Fund
 Work.

L.B.-
 ACh
 24/6/95

SECTION 2B
 FILE No. 34-94
 SERIAL No. 10

Gen. Serial No. 31.]

1895



From

To

Dated

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Received

Enclosures—No. —

General No. 4
 No. 6

With reference to Govt.
 Progs No. 17474-82 dated
 17. 11. 82. 379-92
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 land for the execution of work
 carried out from Brit.
 funds may also be
 adopted in this inst.

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1895-96

From the Deputy Commissioner
Humboldt District

To the General Secretary to the
Government of Singapore

Dated 22nd July 1895

104/6 { 1895-96

Government Proceedings No 17474-12
2-71377-72
Dated 17th April last, requesting
opinion in regard to the applica-
tion made of General Army Hospital
for the execution of works carried
out from District Funds.

—
With reference to the above,
has the honor to state that
the proposal was laid before
the Local Fund Board meeting
on the 29th & 30th, and the Board
resolved that the proposal
was a good one and might
be adopted for this District
also—

Respectfully
Yours
Deputy Commissioner

1895

SECTION 2 B
 FILE No. 34-9
 SERIAL No. 4

(51)

(1) Govt Pro dated 14 Dec

1894 to $\frac{9877-85}{R 1489}$

(2) — 17 April 1895 to $\frac{1747}{£ 337}$

Read the following papers from
 the Of Comm of Districts in
 regard to the employment of
 temporary mestros for each Taluk
 on salaries ranging from 10%
 per mensem for the execution
 of local fund work.

R 438

No 2101-12 of 14/8/95
2.7379-92

- (1) Docket dated 28 May 1895 to 1440 from the
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 (3) — 24 — 1021 — Tunk
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 (8) — 22 May — 707 —
 $\frac{914}{808}$
 (9) — 28 — 808 — Chitald

} Read also the following letter
 from the Chief Engineer

Print in Extrano

enclosure, No 2414 of 29 May 1895.

Order thereon

to the Govt Pro dated

14 Dec 1894 No $\frac{9877.85}{114.89}$

~~directed~~ restricted the employ-
ment, exclusively on tank works,
of Tank Inspectors and Sub.
messengers and prohibited the
use of their services by ~~the~~ Revenue
Dep^y on municipal and local
fund works undertaken by it, as inserted.

The Dy Comr of Mysore
proposed, the employment of
messengers on Rs 15, 12 or 10 a
month for each Taluk. The
opinions of the Dy Comr of the
remaining Districts and of
the Chief Engineer were
invited on the subject, and
their replies are recorded
above.

1 in April 1895

(2) There is much force
and

Proceedings of the Government of Mysore.

READ AGAIN:—

- (1) Government Proceedings dated 14th December 1894, No. 9877-85—R. 1489.
- (2) Ditto dated 17th April 1895, No. 17474-82—L. F. 379-92.

READ:—

The following letters from the Deputy Commissioners of Districts in regard to the employment of temporary Mestris for each Taluk on salaries ranging from Rs. 10 to 15 per mensem for the execution of Local Fund works:—

- (1) Docket, dated 28th May 1895, No. 1440 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore.
- (2) Ditto 18th ditto No. 4438-1384 ditto, Kolar.
- (3) Ditto 24th ditto No. 1021, ditto, Tumkur.
- (4) Ditto 20th June No. 1451, ditto, Mysore.
- (5) Ditto 11th ditto No. 952, ditto, Hassan.
- (6) Ditto 2nd July No. 8-6, ditto, Shimoga.
- (7) Ditto 8th June No. 789, ditto, Kadur.
- (8) Ditto 22nd May No. 707, ditto, Kadur.
- (9) Ditto 28th May No. 919-808, ditto, Chitaldrug.

READ ALSO:—

Letter from the Chief Engineer with its enclosure No. 2444, dated 29th May 1895:—

With reference to Government Order No. 17474-82—L. F. 379-92 of 17th April 1895, desiring my opinion, as well as that of the Deputy Commissioners, on the proposal to entertain a temporary Taluk Mestri for each Taluk in connection with Local Fund and Municipal works, I have the honor to state that my views as regards the execution of such petty works are embodied in my departmental Circular No. 81 of 20th July 1886 (copy enclosed for ready reference).

(2) I believe that such trivial works and repairs as those referred to can be fairly dealt with through the agency of the private Mestris and Artisans of the country, if only the members of Local Fund Boards and Municipalities can be induced to take an intelligent and practical interest in the matter. Local Fund and Municipal Committees do not, or ought not to, exist, simply to discuss projects and budgets, and allot available Local Funds to different purposes. They were called into being, I imagine, for something more than that; and I cannot but suppose that amongst these Committees a sufficiently public spirited member cannot be found in each local centre or municipality to take the responsibility of seeing that an ordinary well, a drinking katte, a Chavadi, or a small sanitary work, is properly built and not unfairly charged for by a village contractor or Mestri.

(3) The Deputy Commissioners can have little faith in the Boards they preside over, when they seek to supplement the power and willingness of those Boards by the agency of Taluk Mestris on Rs. 15, 10, or 12 a month, and believe that such assistance will effect economy and prompt and effective execution.

(4) Let each central District Board let out periodically, on a regular schedule of rates, to one or more selected petty contractors all their petty works of the character referred to, not coming under professional Public Works Department agency, and let each member, in his own local circle, take it upon himself to see that the few and small works falling within his circle are fairly and quickly carried out by such contractor. Some such arrangement as this would foster a spirit of corporate independence and interest in the public welfare, which the entertainment of more permanent small officials for the pettiest of jobs, at the beck of Amildars and other Taluk employes, must, in my opinion, go far to strangle.

Mysore Chief Engineer's Circular No. 81, dated Bangalore 20th July 1886.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

From the 1st August 1886, the petty construction (not including additions to or alterations of existing building) and repair of all Police and Revenue buildings, up to a limit of Rs. 250, will be entrusted to the establishments under the orders of the Deputy Commissioners, and the responsibility for the due preservation and maintenance of the same will cease to rest with the officers and subordinates of the Public Works Department.

2. Work of this petty character, up to the limit specified, can, it is believed, be satisfactorily carried out, without the intervention of professional agency. To their private dwellings and property, Taluk officials of all classes have such work and repairs executed to their own satisfaction; they are in a position to procure Mestri contractors or village artisans for job works of the kind for themselves, and they are competent to pronounce whether the trivial work so done is properly done or not, when their own interests are concerned; they do not call in the assistance

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Local Boards Branch, Municipal and Local Funds, dated 12th August 1895.*

of a professional Mestri to frame estimates or prepare and pass bills—the men they employ for the job do that—and there is no reason why they cannot do the same in connection with the Government buildings they occupy or work in daily. Such being the case, Amildars should have no difficulty in compelling Government servants under their orders to arrange for small works and repairs of the character indicated, paying for the same on bills prepared by the contractor or job-worker and certified to by the official concerned.

3. For this purpose, lump sums under the several heads of service will now be placed at the entire disposal of the Deputy Commissioner of each District, who will distribute the same to the several Amildars in the proportion he thinks proper and in the form of an imprest. This imprest will be recouped periodically, and the imprest sheet will be the only form of account to be kept by the Amildar, who will simply attach thereto bills in the vernacular as vouchers for the outlay incurred, the correctness of these bills being certified to by a responsible official. Detailed measurements need not be taken nor recorded.

4. As regards the accounts to be rendered by the Deputy Commissioners to the Comptroller, further instructions will issue. The estimates, which will be sanctioned by the Deputy Commissioner, will be in the simple form of a requisition, copies of which to meet immediate requirements will now be supplied. For each District, a temporary Matsaddi on Rs. 15 a month to keep the accounts, correspondence, and records is now sanctioned.

5. The foregoing rules apply also to the petty construction and repair of all Educational and Anche buildings, but as regards Educational buildings the required repairs must be done by the various School Masters under the direction of the Educational Secretary within the following money limits, namely, Rs. 250 for the Central College, Rs. 10 for each District High School, and Rs. 30 for each Taluk School. The petty construction and repair of Anche buildings must be carried out by the Anche Bakshi through the various Anche Inspectors and Matsaddis. For this purpose lump sums will be placed at the disposal of the Educational Secretary and Anche Bakshi, who will distribute the same according to actual need to the various officers of their respective departments and be guided by the rules prescribed on this behalf for Amildars.

6. This measure is experimental. The Deputy Commissioners, the Educational Secretary and Anche Bakshi, will, at the end of the official year, report as to its working, propose any modifications that may facilitate the work and secure efficiency, and recommend its being permanently established or discontinued. Where work is estimated in opinion of the official framing a requisition, to cost more than Rs. 250, the fact should be reported to the Public Works Sub-Divisional officer, whose duty it will then be to take up the work.

No. 2101-12—L. F. 379-92, DATED, BANGALORE, 12TH AUGUST 1895.

ORDER THEREON.—By the Government Proceedings dated 14th December 1894, No. 9877-85—R. 1489, the employment of Tank Inspectors and Sub-Overseers was restricted to tank works, and the use of their services by Revenue Department on Municipal and Local Fund works undertaken by it was prohibited. The Deputy Commissioner of Mysore, thereupon, proposed in April 1895, the employment of Mestris on Rs. 15, 12 or 10 a month for each Taluk. The opinions of the Deputy Commissioners of the remaining Districts and of the Chief Engineer were invited on the subject, and their replies read above have been duly considered.

2. There is much force in the suggestion of Col. Bowen. If the principle of local self-government is to be expanded usefully and developed, the co-operation of the non-official members of local bodies is necessary in supervising the execution of small Public Works of local interest, requiring no professional skill, undertaken departmentally in their respective ranges. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts are requested to give a fair trial wherever possible to the system suggested in Para 4 of the Chief Engineer's letter read above tentatively and report the result to Government at the end of the official year.

V. N. NARASIMMIYENGAR,
General Secretary.

To—The Dy. Commissioners of Districts and Presidents of Municipal and Local Fund Boards.
The Chief Engineer and Secretary D. P. W.
The Comptroller.

SL 10 from, the Dy Commr. Shi m d f

no. $\frac{8}{6}$ dated 2-7-95.

States that the proposal in SL 1 is good & might be adopted for this dist. also.

SL 11 2101-12 dated 12-8-95
L2379-92

directs that instead of mstrs. being employed in each taluk for the execution of L & works the system suggested by the Chief Engr. Gen- trusting to non-official members of local bodies the supervision of small public works of local interest may be tried tentatively till the end of the official year—

Insd

H S Bhatt

(Signature)